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TO: ALL COUNTY CALIFORNIA CHILDREN SERVICES (CCS)
ADMINISTRATORS, MEDICAL CONSULTANTS, HEALTHY FAMILIES
(HF) PROGRAM HEALTH PLAN LIAISONS, AND CHILDREN'S
MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS) BRANCH AND REGIONAL OFFICE STAFF

SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENT TO NUMBERED LETTER (N.L.): 12-1006

This letter supplements N.L.: 12-1006, dated October 26, 2006, on updated CCS policies related to children who are HF subscribers. It provides additional information on the policies in N.L. 12-1006 on: 1) assigning CCS aid codes to HF subscribers; and 2) HF subscribers with family annual adjusted gross income over \$40,000.

Assigning CCS Aid Codes to HF subscribers

Item C in Section II of N.L. 12-1006 discusses changing aid code "9U" to aid code "9R" if the family annual adjusted gross income (AGI) is over \$40,000, when the CCS eligibility process has been completed. This change can be made retroactively to the date of referral.

In cases where claims have already been paid against the "9U" aid code, the process that counties must follow to change the payments to "9R" are documented in CCS procedures titled "Correction of Errors in Monthly County Expenditure Reports" which are available from your CMS Branch regional office administrative consultant.

HF Subscribers From Families With (AGI) of Over \$40,000

The Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board (MRMIB) has informed the CMS Branch that effective December 29, 2006, that agency will no longer provide CCS with verification of annual income for HF subscribers. Therefore, CCS local programs should either perform a CCS financial eligibility determination on HF subscribers

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referred to CCS or use the enclosed revised "HF Statement of Annual Income" to obtain self certification of family income from HF subscribers' families. This form has been revised to identify the family's AGI based on their prior year tax form. The CMS Branch will continue to explore other alternative methods for identifying the income of these families.

In addition, the county CCS programs not participating in CMS Net will continue to provide the CMS Branch with the list of HF subscribers whose families have self-certified their income as over \$40,000. These counties shall also forward claims for these HF subscribers to the CMS Branch with a transmittal document specifying they represent HF subscribers whose families' AGI are "over" \$40,000. Claims should be forwarded, including proof of HF eligibility on the date of service, to the attention of Erin Winter, at the CMS Branch.

If you have any questions regarding this N.L., please contact your CMS Branch regional office administrative consultant.

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Enclosure